



# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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## Greetings,

This **Funding Opportunities** listing is provided to you by the Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives (OFBCI). The OFBCI was established by Governor Mitch Daniels with Executive Order 05-16. Our office is responsible for the management of the National Service programs, i.e. AmeriCorps, Citizen Corps, etc. throughout the State of Indiana. Additionally, this office will reach out to faith-based organizations to familiarize them with state and federal opportunities for grants and programs and provide training and technical assistance where appropriate for both community and faith based organizations.

We believe that another important part of our mission is to share with organizations throughout the state information regarding various funding opportunities that may address a specific need. Monthly, a listing of funding opportunities will be sent to you electronically which represents notices this office has received within the last 30 days. The listing is organized chronologically so that you can review funding opportunities based on the published deadline. We will make every effort to only publish available grants whose deadline is two weeks or more in the future, recognizing that it takes substantial staff time to develop successful grants. We hope that you will use this listing to further your mission and will let us know if you are successful in securing additional resources.

**Paula Parker-Sawyers, Executive Director**  
**Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives**

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**SUMMARY:** Department of Health and Human Services announces funding for demonstration projects that: (1) demonstrate the effective imple-

mentation of strategies for introducing the concept of open adoption to youth and/or sibling groups who prefer to maintain contact with birth families and/or siblings; (2) demonstrate effective implementation strategies for connecting youth to adults to promote a range of permanency options, particularly adoption and open adoption, and including guardianship and kinship care; (3) demonstrate the effective models of youth leadership and collaboration between youth, siblings and other family members, caseworkers and possible adoptive families in planning for youth permanency; (4) evaluate the processes and outcomes of these strategies and models; and (5) disseminate information about these strategies and models so that other States/locales seeking to implement effective open adoption programs for youth and sibling groups have a demonstrated resource for guidance, insight, and possible replication.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments, county governments, state governments, nonprofit organizations and faith-based organizations. Applicants should demonstrate a strong partnership between the child welfare agency, the courts, and youth development organizations. Collaborative efforts are encouraged, but applications should identify a primary applicant responsible for administering the grant.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$1,800,000 is available to fund 6 awards of up to \$300,000. A match is required.

**DUE DATE:** August 10, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, go to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-ACYF-CO-0051.html>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**SUMMARY:** Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to continue the operation of

the national data archive on child abuse and neglect, and to continue the processing and housing of high quality data sets and related activities that facilitate the use of archived data.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities, private institutions of higher education, individuals, for-profit organizations, and small businesses. Faith-based and community organizations that meet all other eligibility requirements are eligible to apply.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$600,000 is available to fund 1 award.

**DUE DATE:** August 10, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-ACYF-CA—86.html>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

**SUMMARY:** Department of State announces funds to provide financial support to non-profit organizations that have experience in refugee resettlement. Participating organizations are expected to combine such financial assistance with existing and projected private resources for the provision of placement and initial resettlement services for refugees admitted to the United States during the period October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Nonprofit organizations.

**DUE DATE:** August 12, 2005.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, contact Jessica Warden Yutacom at 202-663-1052 or [yutacomjw@state.gov](mailto:yutacomjw@state.gov); or go to: <http://www.state.gov/g/prm/fund/48894.htm>

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, announces a cooperative agreement entitled Women, Infant and Children (WIC) Hispanic Breastfeeding Promotion and Education Project. Hispanics are the largest group participating in WIC's breastfeeding program. This grant will support a project that addresses the barriers to breastfeeding for Hispanic WIC participants and provides them with culturally sensitive, culturally appropriate breastfeeding information and education. Activities include conducting research on the issues and barriers related to Hispanic breastfeeding; utilizing the results to develop culturally appropriate educational materials and messages; and evaluating the program through focus groups or pilot testing.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Faith-based and other organizations.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** A cooperative agreement of \$400,000 will be awarded to one successful applicant.

**DUE DATE:** August 15, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** The request for applications can be viewed at: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/Breastfeeding/WICHispanicBreastfeedingRFA.pdf>

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**SUMMARY:** The Community Services Block Grant Training and Technical Assistance: Promoting Healthy Marriages grant will support a one year project to create and disseminate best practice technical assistance materials. The successful applicant will gather data, plan and develop a healthy marriage model for organizations within a Community Services Network, create healthy marriage intervention models that can be used for training and technical assistance activities; and disseminate healthy marriage training and technical assistance within the

Community Services Network to improve the quality and delivery of healthy marriage education to low-income individuals

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** State, County, City or Township governments; Special District Governments; Independent School Districts, state controlled institutions of higher education, public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; Native American tribal governments, nonprofits, private institutions of higher education; for-profit organizations other than small businesses, small businesses, faith-based organizations, community services block grant eligible entities and state community action agencies.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** \$400,000 will be awarded for four to six grants

**DUE DATE:** August 15, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** The full program announcement can be viewed at:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-13893.pdf>

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## Rural Teacher Grants

**SUMMARY:** National Geographic Society Grable-Curtis Rural Teacher Grants for teachers or school administrators in a rural area.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** K-12

**AWARD AMOUNT:** \$500

**DUE DATE:** August 15, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For more information, please visit: [http://www.nationalgeographic.com/education/teacher\\_community/pdf/Grable-Curtis05.pdf](http://www.nationalgeographic.com/education/teacher_community/pdf/Grable-Curtis05.pdf)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**SUMMARY:** Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to provide states with a cost-effective way to increase the number of seniors who receive quality legal assistance, particularly the underserved.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments, county governments, state governments, nonprofit, faith, and community-based organizations.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$4,900,000 is available to fund 8 awards, ranging from \$100,000—\$150,000. A match is required.

**DUE DATE:** August 16, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, go to: <http://www.aoa.gov/doingbus/fundopp/fundopp.asp>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**SUMMARY:** Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to provide substantive technical assistance, training, evaluation, and capacity-building services to Legal Assistance statewide grants recipients.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, private institutions of higher education, nonprofit, faith, and community-based organizations.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$100,000 is available to fund 1 award. A match is required.

**DUE DATE:** August 16, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, go to: <http://www.aoa.gov/doinbus/fundopps/fundopps.asp>.

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## NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

**SUMMARY:** The National Institutes of Health announces funding for the Neuroimmune Mechanisms and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS) grant. The grant will support research on the neuroimmune mechanisms involved in the pathogenesis and pathophysiology of CFS and spectrum disorders in diverse groups and across the life span. The successful applicant will examine mediators influencing central control mechanisms and communication among interacting components of the nervous and immune systems, apply new tools to explore different aspects of the disease process, investigate the development of influences that may enhance disease susceptibility and contribute to mechanistic aspects of this disease, and identify predictive biomarkers for CFS and/or spectrum disorders.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** For-profit organizations, Non-profit organizations, Public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, state and local government, Eligible agencies of the Federal government, Foreign Institutions, Domestic Institutions, Units of State Tribal government, Local Tribal government

Faith-based or community-based organizations are also eligible to apply.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** A total of \$4 million will be awarded to six to ten grants.

**DUE DATE:** Letters of intent are due August 19, 2005 and applications are due September 19, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** The request for applications can be found at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-06-002.html>

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**SUMMARY:** The Health Resources and Services Administration announces the availability of the Eliminating Disparities in Perinatal Health grant.

The successful applicant will conduct a project that enhances a community's service system to address significant disparities in perinatal health. Activities will focus on disparities experienced by Hispanics, American Indians, African-Americans, Asian/Pacific Islanders, and immigrant populations or differences occurring by education, income, disability, or living in rural/isolated areas. The grant will support direct outreach, case management, health education, interconceptional care, and screening for depression.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** This competition is open to new applicants and existing competing continuation\* Healthy Start projects. Applicants for funding in these competitions under the Healthy Start Program must be public or non-profit private entities, including faith-based and community-based organizations, Indian tribes, or tribal organizations (as defined at 25 U.S.C. 450b). An eligible applicant must have both direct fiduciary and administrative responsibility over the project.

**\* An existing competing continuation is defined as receiving Healthy Start funds for the project period of February 1, 2002 – January 31, 2006. All other applicants, including previously funded Healthy Start projects, whose project period is other than February 1, 2002 – January 31, 2006, will be considered new applicants and should check the "new" box on the SF 424 Face page.**

Applicants must have or plan to establish a community-based consortium of individuals and organizations including, but not limited to agencies responsible for administering block grant programs under Title V of the Social Security Act, consumers of project services, providers, local health departments, hospitals and health centers funded under Section 330, community-based organizations, and other significant entities appropriate for participation in the project [3]. Documentation of the existence of a community-based consortium meeting the requirements outlined above or plans to establish one that will meet these requirements must be included in the letter of transmittal for the application with details in the project narrative.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** A total of \$4.5 million will be

awarded for up to six grants. Individual award amounts are estimated to be about \$750,000.

**DUE DATE:** August 30, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** The full announcement can be viewed at :

<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/preview/guidancemch/hrsa06103.htm>

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## BALANCE BAR

**SUMMARY:** Balance Bar announces funds to enhance people's physical health while they pursue a passion that enriches their lives. Grants are available to support programs such as road runners clubs, trails conferences, parks and recreation departments, athletic programs and leagues, youth organizations, etc.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Nonprofit organizations.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Awards ranging from \$1,000-\$25,000 are available.

**DUE DATE:** August 31, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, go to: <http://www.balance.com/grants/default.aspx>.

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## TOURISM CARES FOR TOMORROW

**Summary:** Tourism Cares for Tomorrow announces funds to support programs or projects with one or more of the following goals: to protect, restore, and conserve sites of exceptional natural, cultural, or historic significance; to increase the traveling public's awareness of and involvement in conservation efforts; and/or to promote conservation education within local host communities and to the traveling public.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Nonprofit organizations.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** \$5,000—\$20,000

**DUE DATE:** September 1, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, contact Sarah Graham Mann at [Sarahm@tourismcaresfortomorrow.org](mailto:Sarahm@tourismcaresfortomorrow.org); or go to: <http://www.tourismcaresfortomorrow.org/TourismCares/Programs/Grants.htm>.

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## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC TEACHER GRANT PROGRAM

**SUMMARY:** National Geographic Teacher Grant Program to promote geographic literacy for all children.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Teachers K-12

**AWARD AMOUNT:** \$5,000

**DUE DATE:** September 02, 2005.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit: [http://www.nationalgeographic.com/foundation/pdf/foundation\\_2005-Teacher-Grant.pdf](http://www.nationalgeographic.com/foundation/pdf/foundation_2005-Teacher-Grant.pdf)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**SUMMARY:** The Rural Health Network Development Planning Grant Program will support one year of planning activities by rural entities in order to develop health care networks and assist them in becoming operational. The grant will support the following types of activities: identifying and convening potential collaborating network partners in the community/region; conducting a community health needs assessment; identifying the most critical need of potential network partners to ensure their viability; identifying factors and creating a plan that will lead to the network's sustainability; or developing a business plan.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** The applicant must be a rural, non-profit (State or Federal) or pub-



lic entity that is or represents a consortium of three or more health provider entities that need assistance to plan, organize and develop a health care network. Applications from profit-making organizations will not be accepted. For-profit organizations may, however, participate in the network. One of the network members may apply on behalf of the formative network.

Faith-based and community-based organizations are eligible to apply for these grants.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** A total of \$1 million will be awarded for ten to 12 grants. Individual awards are expected to range from \$25,000 to \$85,000.

**DUE DATE:** September 8, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** The guidance documents and application instructions are at: <http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/preview/guidancerural/hrsa06007.htm>

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## THE BARBARA BUSH FOUNDATION FOR FAMILY LITERACY

**SUMMARY:** The Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy announces funds to develop or expand projects that are designed to support the development of literacy skills for adult primary care givers and their children.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Nonprofit organizations.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$650,000 is available to fund NA awards up to \$65,000.

**DUE DATE:** September 9, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, call (202) 955-6183 or go to: <http://www.barbarabushfoundation.com/nga.html>.

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## NATIONAL CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE

**SUMMARY:** National Children's Alliance an-

nounces funds for the establishment and expansion of CAC's during the 2006 calendar year. Funds may be used for the development and implementation of multidisciplinary child abuse investigation and prosecution programs with the overall goal of aiding communities across the country in their efforts to implement the children's advocacy center model.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Nonprofit organizations. See RFA for detailed eligibility requirements.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$8,277,826 is available.

**DUE DATE:** September 13, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, contact Charnette Sample at (800) 239-9950 or [csample@nca-online.org](mailto:csample@nca-online.org); or go to <http://www.nca-online.org/features.html>.

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## WOMEN HELPING OTHERS FOUNDATION

**SUMMARY:** Aid for grassroots charities, nationwide that support women and children.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Organizations must have been incorporated for at least three years, have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status and be qualified to receive deductible charitable contributions. Preference is given to organizations that have operating budgets of \$2 million or less and are not dependent on government grants, and whose organizational program costs exceed their personnel costs.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Unspecified

**DUE DATE:** September 13, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Please visit their website at: [www.whofoundation.org/WHO\\_Funding.htm](http://www.whofoundation.org/WHO_Funding.htm)

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## KIDS IN NEED FOUNDATION TEACHER GRANTS

**SUMMARY:** The 2005-06 Kids In Need Teacher Grant applications will become available July 15. This year more than \$105,000 is being offered in grants to certified K-12 teachers at any public, private, or parochial school in the U.S.

National sponsors of the program are Jo-Ann Stores, Inc. and Office Depot.

Regional sponsors include Fred Meyer, Publix, and Price Less Drug Stores.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Certified K-12 Teachers

**AWARD AMOUNT:** The grants are from \$100 to \$500 for innovative classroom projects.

**DUE DATE:** September 30, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** The website currently has the guidelines posted, which teachers can use to prepare to apply. Please visit:

[http://www.shopa.org/shopa\\_foundation/teacher\\_programs.php](http://www.shopa.org/shopa_foundation/teacher_programs.php)

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**SUMMARY:** Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to address significant disparities in perinatal health indicators. Eliminating disparities in Perinatal Health focuses on disparities in Hispanics, African Americans, Native Americans, Alaskan Natives, Asian Pacific Islanders, Immigrant Populations or differences occurring by education, income, disability, or living in rural, isolated areas by enhancing a community's service system. Communities must provide a scope of project services that will cover pregnancy and interconceptional phases for women and infants residing in the proposed project area.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Any public or private entity, community and faith-based projects. faith-based projects that have: 1) significant disparities in perinatal indicators which contribute to high infant mortality rates among one or more subpopulations; 2) an existing active consortia of stakeholders which have underway a perinatal disparity reduction initiative; or a plan to establish one;

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$4,800,000 is available to fund 6 awards.

**DUE DATE:** September 30, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, contact HRSA Call Center at (877) 464-4772 or CallCenter@HRSA.GOV; or go to <https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID=760A57B-OD19-4CEE-9DC8-D661D7668EA5>.

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## NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

**SUMMARY:** The Basic and Preclinical Research on Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) grant, will support basic, mechanistic, and/or preclinical research in all domains of CAM. Successful applicants will conduct investigations aimed at identifying the underlying mechanisms of action of CAM therapies, and provide a foundation for ongoing and planned clinical studies.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** For-profit organizations, Non-profit organizations, Public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, State and local government, Eligible agencies of the Federal government, Foreign Institutions, Domestic Institutions, Units of State Tribal government, Units of Local Tribal government

Faith-based or community-based organizations are also eligible.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** The amount of individual awards is dependent on the scope and scale of the proposed research.

**DUE DATE:** October 1, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Further details are in the program announcement at:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-141.html>.

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## NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

**SUMMARY:** The National Institutes of Health announces the Health Services Research on the Prevention and Treatment of Drug and Alcohol Abuse grant. . Examples of research areas that will be supported under this grant include: factors that affect the delivery of drug and alcohol abuse intervention and related services; dimensions of drug and alcohol abuse intervention and related services (accessibility, utilization, quality, effectiveness and costs); processes of blending science-based practices into community-based provision of drug and alcohol abuse prevention services; and research tools to facilitate higher quality health services research.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** For-profit organizations, Non-profit organizations, Public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, state and local government, Eligible agencies of the Federal government, Foreign Institutions, Domestic Institutions

Faith-based or community-based organizations are also eligible.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** The amount of individual awards is dependent on the scope and scale of the proposed research.

**DUE DATE:** October 1, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit the website at: Further details are in the program announcement at:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-05-139.html>

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## SIEMENS WESTINGHOUSE COMPETITION

**SUMMARY:** The Siemens Westinghouse Competition in Math, Science & Technology recognizes remarkable talent early on, fostering individual growth for high school students who are willing to challenge themselves through science research. Through this competition, students have an opportunity to achieve national recognition for science research projects that they complete in high school. Students may submit research reports either individually or in teams of two or three members. Students whose projects are selected for further competition are invited to give an oral and poster presentation at one of the six regional events hosted by partner universities. Regional winners will receive an invitation to advance to the National Competition in New York City. In the national competition, students' presentations are judged by research scientists recruited for their specific expertise in the area of research for each project.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** High School Students.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded to each regional finalist (including team members) and \$3,000 each as an individual regional winner. The winning team will receive \$6,000 to be divided among team members. In the national competition, the top individual and team winners receive additional scholarships of \$100,000. Runners up receive scholarships ranging from \$10,000 to \$50,000.

**DUE DATE:** October 3, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit their website at:

<http://www.siemens-foundation.org/competition>

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## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**SUMMARY:** Department of Commerce announces funds to catalyze the implementation of locally-



driven, grass-roots habitat restoration projects that will benefit living marine resources, including anadromous fish. Projects funded through the CRP have strong on-the-ground habitat restoration components that provide educational and social benefits for people and their communities in addition to long-term ecological habitat improvements for NOAA trust resources.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and for-profit organizations other than small businesses.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$3 million is available to fund 25 awards, ranging from \$30,000 - \$250,000. A match is required.

**DUE DATE:** October 12, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, contact Steve Drescher at (301) 713-0942 or Steve.J.Drescher@noaa.gov; or go to <http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/DOC/NOAA/GMC/NMFS-HCPO-2006-2000334/listing.html>.

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## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**SUMMARY:** Department of Commerce announces funds to catalyze the implementation of locally driven, community-based marine debris prevention and removal projects that will benefit coastal habitat, waterways, and NOAA trust resources including anadromous fish.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and for-profit organizations other than small businesses.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$2 million is available to fund 25 awards, ranging from \$15,000—\$250,000. A match is required.

**DUE DATE:** October 12, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, contact Steve Drescher at (301) 713-0942 or Steve.J.Drescher@noaa.gov; or go to <http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/DOC/NOAA/GMC/NMFS-HCPO-2006-2000351/listing.html>.

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## CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION

**SUMMARY:** Constitutional Rights Foundation's Robinson Mini-Grant Program for service-learning projects designed to address serious community issues.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** K-12

**AWARD AMOUNT:** \$500

**DUE DATE:** October 14, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit: [http://www.crf-usa.org/network/crf\\_robin.html](http://www.crf-usa.org/network/crf_robin.html)

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## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**SUMMARY:** Chesapeake Bay Watershed Education & Training (B-Wet) Program. Department of Commerce announces funds to support organizations that provide students "meaningful" Chesapeake Bay or stream outdoor experiences and teaches professional development opportunities in the area of environmental education related to the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, private institutions of higher education, nonprofit, and community-based organizations.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$2.2 million is available to fund awards, ranging from \$10,000—\$200,000.

**DUE DATE:** October 24, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, contact Steve Drescher at (301) 713-0942 or [Steve.J.Drescher@noaa.gov](mailto:Steve.J.Drescher@noaa.gov); or go to <http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/DOC/NOAA/GMC/NMFS-CBPO-2006-2000265/Attachments.html#upload4660>.

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## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**SUMMARY:** Department of Commerce announces funds to reduce loss of life and property damage in communities with flood and flash flood problems, and to increase the lead time for disaster preparedness. Program funds are used to create, renovate, or enhance rain and stream gage networks that are locally operated and maintained with non-NOAA resources.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** City or township governments, county governments, state governments and nonprofit organizations.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Approximately \$500,000 is available to fund 10 awards.

**DUE DATE:** October 27, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, contact Steve Drescher at (301) 713-0942 or [Steve.J.Drescher@noaa.gov](mailto:Steve.J.Drescher@noaa.gov); or go to <http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/DOC/NOAA/GMC/NWS-NWSP0-2006-2000337/Attachments.html#upload4657>

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## DO SOMETHING

**SUMMARY:** Do Something is a national not-for-profit organization that inspires young people to believe that change is possible, and trains, funds, and mobilizes them to be leaders who measurably strengthen their communities. Each year, the Do Something BRICK Award honors 6 outstanding leaders age 18 and under and 3 outstanding leaders age 19-25 who use their talents to take action that measurably strengthens their local communities in

the areas of community building, health, or the environment.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Students age 18 and under and individuals between the ages of 19-25

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Each of the "18 and under" winners is awarded a \$5,000 higher education scholarship and a \$5,000 community grant (to be directed by the award winner to the not-for-profit organization of his or her choice). Winners in the "19-25" category each receive a \$10,000 community grant. All winners receive Pro Bono Services, and all winners attend the annual BRICK Awards Gala event in New York City, which celebrates their accomplishments. Do Something works closely with BRICK winners to generate local and national media coverage of their work, and to spotlight what young people can achieve.

**DUE DATE:** November 1, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit: <http://www.dosomething.org/awards/brick/index.php>

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## LORRIE OTTO SEEDS FOR EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM

**SUMMARY:** The Lorrie Otto Seeds for Education Grant Program gives small monetary grants to schools, nature centers, or other non-profit educational organizations for the purpose of establishing outdoor learning centers.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Schools, nature centers and other non-profit and not-for-profit places of learning including houses of worship.

**DUE DATE:** November 15, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit: <http://www.for-wild.org/seedmony.htm>

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## SEA WORLD/BUSCH GARDENS/ FUJIFILM ENVIRONMENTAL EXCEL- LENCE AWARDS

**SUMMARY:** 2006 SeaWorld/Busch Gardens/Fujifilm Environmental Excellence Awards recognize the outstanding efforts of students and teachers across the country who are working at the grass-roots level to protect and preserve the environment.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** All schools (grades K-12).

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Maximum award \$10,000

**DUE DATE:** November 30, 2005

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** <http://www.seaworld.org/conservation-matters/eea/about.htm>

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## TOSHIBA AMERICA FOUNDATION GRANTS

**SUMMARY:** The Toshiba America Foundation seeks to support projects designed by classroom teachers to improve K-12 science and mathematics education.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** \$1,000 K-6, \$25,000, grades 7-12

**DUE DATE:** Varied. Oct. 1 for K-6 programs; year-round for 7-12 projects under \$5,000; and Feb. 1 and Aug. 1 for 7-12 projects over \$5,000.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit: <http://www.toshiba.com/taf/>

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## NOMINATE A TEACHER TO BE AN "AMERICAN STAR IN TEACHING"

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Education again plans to honor classroom teachers by recog-

nizing the 2005 American Stars of Teaching. The Department's Teacher-to-Teacher Initiative is seeking nominations and information about teachers who are improving student achievement, using innovative strategies, and making a difference in the lives of their students.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Teachers across all grade levels and disciplines will be honored this fall. One teacher or team of teachers from each state will be recognized.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit: <http://www.teacherquality.us/TeacherToTeacher/AmericanStars.asp>

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## JEHT FOUNDATION

**SUMMARY:** JEHT Foundation announces the availability of funds to assistance programs or projects that promote: 1) Alternatives to incarceration for non-violent drug offenders, people with mental illness, youth and immigrants subject to detention and deportation; 2) systemic changes in arrest, conviction and sentencing policies and practices; 3) systemic changes in parole and probation policies and practices; 4) effective reentry planning and programs at the federal, state and local levels; 5) removal of social and legal barriers to the successful re-integration back into society of formerly incarcerated people; and 6) abolition of the death penalty for juveniles and adults.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Nonprofit organizations.

**DUE DATE:** No deadline for applications.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, call (212) 965-0400 or [info@jehtfoundation.org](mailto:info@jehtfoundation.org); or go to: [http://www.jehtfoundation.org/application/applic1\\_overview.html](http://www.jehtfoundation.org/application/applic1_overview.html).

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## MTV

**SUMMARY:** thnk Venture grants are awarded

through the new pro-social initiative, “think MTV,” which is designed to inform and empower young people to take action on social issues, MTV has teamed up with Youth Venture to offer weekly grants to a group of young people with the most compelling and sustainable community service project concept dealing with discrimination, education, the environment, global issues or sexual health.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Groups of two or more people who are at least 13 years old and are legal residents of the United States. Team leaders may not be older than 20.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** One grant of up to \$1,000 will be given each week through December 31st. Recipients will also receive access to educational resources, including a Youth Venture Start-Up Kit, a national network of young “venturers”, a “venturers-only” website, and information about scholarships and speaking opportunities.

**DUE DATE:** Ongoing

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please visit their website at: [www.mtv.com/thinkmtv/features/ventures](http://www.mtv.com/thinkmtv/features/ventures)

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## JANUS FOUNDATION

**SUMMARY:** The Janus Foundation focuses on at-risk youth education, community service and volunteerism, and cultural institutions. Grants are made to innovative organizations and programs that have a long-lasting impact, ultimately leading their constituents to self-sufficiency. Programs should provide unique services and have strong partnerships with other nonprofit organizations, in order to provide comprehensive services.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** The first two giving areas are open to non-profit organizations throughout the United States. Grants to cultural institutions are for those in the Denver, Colorado area.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Unspecified

**DUE DATE:** Ongoing

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** For further information, please call: 303-333-3863, e-mail, [janusfoundation@janus.com](mailto:janusfoundation@janus.com), or visit their website at: [www4.janus.com/downloads/janushome/pdf/GrantApplication.pdf](http://www4.janus.com/downloads/janushome/pdf/GrantApplication.pdf).

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